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METHOD OF REMOVING PHOSPHORIC
ACID CONTAINING WASTEWATER
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the title of the invention, please insert:

A1 This application is a 371 application of PCT/JP00/00933 filed February 18, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite the heading "CLAIMES" as follows:

CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3, 4, 6 and 8-10 as follows:

A2 3. (Amended) A method of removing phosphoric acid contained in wastewater as defined in claim 1, wherein the calcium compound is at least one member from calcium hydroxide, inorganic acid salt of calcium and organic carboxylic acid salt of calcium.